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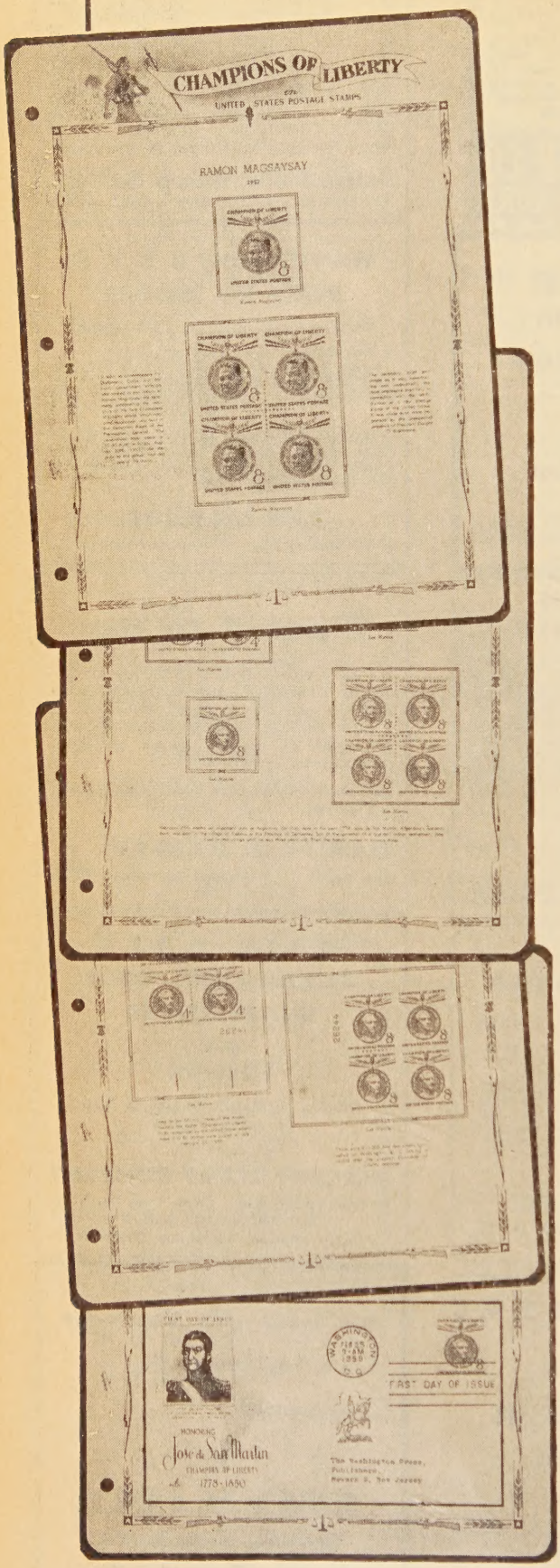

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History and Growth of the War Cover Club

IN this issue of STAMPS readers will find a fascinating article by *Idus Murphree,* a member of the *War Cover Club,* the first of three, by different authors, which are scheduled to appear in this magazine.

In order to apprise collectors of the history and growth of the *War Cover Club* and its various activities which make membership in it so worth while, *Isadore Willinger,* the club's secretary, has prepared the article which follows.

The War Cover Club

By Isadore Willinger

THE history and growth of the *War Cover Club* is itself an indication of the many fascinating fields which collecting war covers includes. Organized in the fall of 1937, the *War Cover Club* drew together collectors in the New York area who were primarily interested in U. S. World War philately. *William H. Montgomery,* the *Rev. H. K. Robinson,* and *Dr. A. E. Perry,* who were charter members, are members still. Others of the original group were *Delf Norona, Maxwell Halpern, Milton S. Hunt,* and *Dr. H. A. Coleman.*

Most of the original group collected U. S. Expeditionary Forces covers and were interested in military history. Over the years they found that there was no limit to the various aspects of war mail which might form the basis of a collection and material for study. As more members joined and interests broadened, a place was made for all of them in the *War Cover Club.*

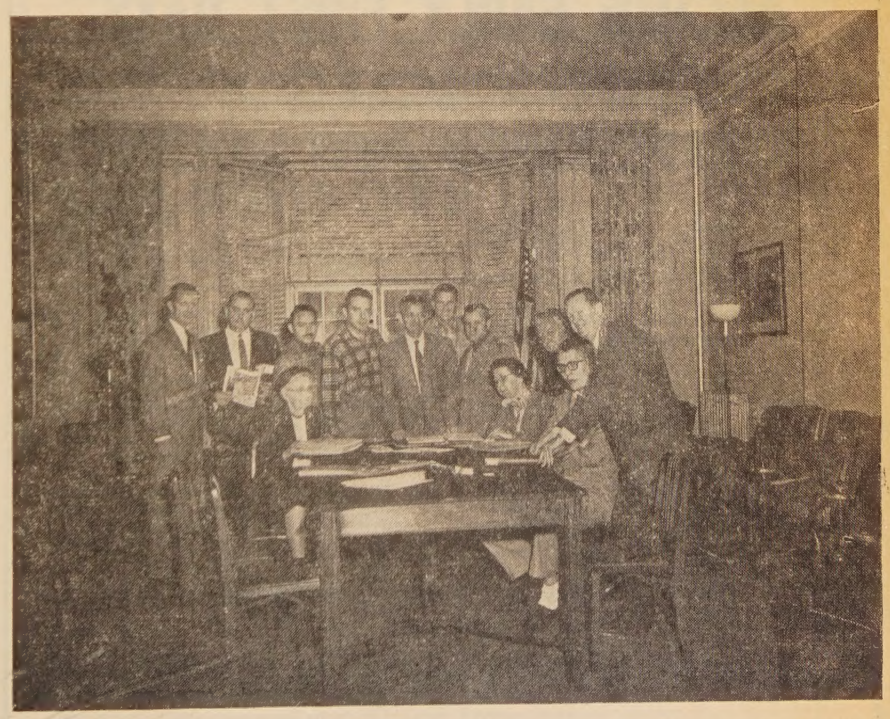
Members now collect in a dozen related fields, all phases of military and occupation history — APO's (Army Post Offices), Naval, and Marine Corps covers, military flights, patriotics, V-Mail, prisoner-of-war covers, censorship markings, etc. The possibilities are endless, and of course there are specialized subdivisions within these fields. Some concentrate on a particular war or campaign, such as the Boer War, the Spanish American War, or the 1914 American expedition to Vera Cruz. Others have chosen letters from particular generals or admirals, including their autographs, as their special interest.

One of the attractive features of collecting war covers is that there is room here to move into a philatelic field that is not overrun with competition. Some collectible items are expensive rarities, of course; but many, many more are simply hard to find. When they are found, they do not call for a second mortgage on the family homestead. Collecting war covers combines two of the best features of the whole hobby: the excitement of the hunt and the lure of postal history. The cost, except in energy, is not high.

For instance, the invasion of Lebanon and the recent Israeli-Egyptian campaign present real challenges to the collector who is after bona fide covers used by military personnel during these operations. Many units participated, and the military markings are not only hard to track down but are records of important events. As you might guess, the Korean War has become a popular field and for real reason. Think of the possibilities in collecting war covers from the twenty-one United Nations which had military units in Korea!

Do not suppose that the *War Cover Club* is militaristic, or in favor of war. Our enthusiasm runs high, but not so high that we are looking forward to new wars because they will open up new fields for our hobby. The wars of the past are more than enough to occupy us. If there is another war and any one of us survives, he will probably peek through the rubble to see if the post office is still standing, but none of us wants that day to come.

The monthly club bulletin contains a broad range of material,



War Cover Club members photographed at a recent meeting at the Collectors Club, New York. (Left to right): Walter Bjork, Albert Higgins, Sam Simon, Philip Baker, Isadore Willinger, Kevin Rogan, Stanley Jersey, Winfred Grandy, Frank Ryan. Seated at table: Nellie B. Sergent, Louise Clemencon, Victor Maciejewski.

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formal and informal. It is a clearing house for collectors' questions and problems, and there can be vexing ones in war covers. Members also use the bulletin to report on their finds and to share information. Then there are the research articles as well as the descriptions of material in the auctions which the club periodically sponsors. All in all the club bulletin is a busy, varied paper with something in it for everybody.

A club member from Austria recently gave us a grand article on the postmarks which appeared on the mail of the United Nations Expeditionary Forces in Egypt. The illustrations accompanying the article showed thirty-five different cancellations from ten different national units. The very words in those cancellations—"Queen's Own Rifles of Canada," "Batalion N. 2 Columbia," "Indonesian Contingent, United Nations Forces"—stir interest.

We are particularly proud of member *A. J. Tripp's* "Locations and Assignments of U. S. Army Post Offices in World War II," for it is a standard reference work which every collector of World War II material should have. A recently revised edition, which lists all U. S. APO's, their locations and dates of operation, is available through the club secretary for $2.50.

Members of the club who live in the New York area meet three or four times a year at The Collectors Club, 22 E. 35 St., N. Y. C. Visitors are welcome. If you will drop me a line at 314 E. 163 St., New York 51, you will receive written notice of our next meeting.

Your attic may not contain a few St. Louis Bears or Hawaiian Missionaries, but I would bet that somewhere in the house is a bundle of war letters of one vintage or another. Get them out, for they are bound to show various APO, Naval, or Marine Corps markings censor's stamps and who knows what. Look them over and you've already begun. If you later branch out to follow the movements of General Lee or General Grant through the Civil War by postal markings, you will receive our comfort, our sympathy, and, if we can give it, our help. But start with some phase of war covers that is closer to home and more manageable. Above all, come on in. The collecting's fine.

Present officers of the Club, besides the writer, who is secretary-treasurer, are: *Sol Whitman*, president; *Walter J. McNulty*, vice pres.; and directors, *R. P. Alexander, Philip E. Baker, M. Hertzberg, Stanley C. Jersey, Frederic Patka*, and *Sterling S. Taylor*.

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THE biggest news to hit the stamp world in a long time is the joint announcement on Jan. 8, 1960, from *John Smart*, President of *Esquire, Inc.*, and *Gordon Harmer*, President of *Scott Publications, Inc.*, that the latter had sold the business to *Esquire, Inc.* Mr. Harmer will continue as Editor-in-Chief of Scott Publications, and Maud E. Taylor will remain in charge of production and office management.

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The author has used as his criteria of sport stamps to be included those sports which are part of the 1960 Roman Olympic game program and those sports recognized as such by the federations affiliated with the National Committee of Sports. Exceptions have been made for stamps portraying local or traditional sports and for the few stamps whose subjects, while having a minor sport motif, are included in what is clearly a sport set. Aerial sports, since they are not included in the Olympic program, and games which are clearly only for children, have been omitted. The scouting stamps cataloged are those which have been issued by Scout organizations and those which plainly commemorate established scouting events which have been recognized as

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688	1930	2c Braddock	.60	...
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. *L. Fergus*, who for the past seven s has edited the Chicago Philatelic ety's paper, *C.P.S. News*, has resigned post, but no successor has been anced. Officers of the Society for 1960 *Richard N. Canman*, president; *Leon n*, v.p.; *William H. Schulze*, treas.; *Lloyd C. Minnis*, secy. Directors are *Rev. George H. Muresan, Elmer rt, Willis E. Potter, John T. Herman-, Joseph Unseitig, Jr.*, and *L. Cecil* .

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373m	29.00	62 m	7.75
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384m	17.50	654m	5.75
408m	1.60	683m	7.75
481m	1.10	748m	4.25
483	9.25	749m	6.50
532m	19.50	761m	3.60
533m	44.00	762m	3.95
534	11.75	763m	3.65
535m	11.50	765m	4.50
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Group II: VERY FINE

#	Price	#	Price
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345	12.89	680m	4.49
347	34.49	683m	6.89
371	28.59	688m	6.89
373x	24.69	689m	5.39
373	27.59	724m	3.49
409m	3.79	725m	4.89
420m	42.49	733m	3.89
483	8.49	746m	2.69
503m	5.79	749m	5.69
509	6.89	761m	3.29
532	18.69	763m	3.29
533m	42.89	771m	10.59
534	10.49	C7m	2.29
535	9.49	C8m	2.69
560m	28.49	C10m	10.29
561m	6.89	C20m	4.29
611m	11.69	C22m	7.89
615m	7.29	CE1	3.79
618m	7.89	E14m	2.89
619m	29.49	PS6m	10.49
620x	8.49	QE3	1.29
627m	6.99	QE4	5.69
628m	15.69	RW10	17.49
629m	6.49	RW12	13.49
644m	6.69	RW14	12.49
650m	8.69	RW16	18.49

Group III: FINE CONDITION

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340m	$14.68	620	$11.88
368	23.78	621	33.68
371	25.48	627m	5.78
372	6.68	628	12.88
373	24.48	629	4.88
420m	34.68	643m	3.88
428	5.88	644m	5.08
429m	14.68	650m	6.88
470	19.88	680m	3.88
505	5.88	681	2.48
507	10.48	688m	4.88
508A	9.68	689	3.48
513	5.48	724m	2.58
527m	4.68	725	3.48
531	9.88	733	2.88
536	8.58	734m	5.58
556m	6.48	746m	2.18
557	6.88	747m	2.98
558	19.88	748	2.88
559m	2.98	749m	4.98
563m	3.08	758	2.18
566m	8.98	762	3.28
567	11.38	765	4.18
570	20.48	771	9.48
611	10.48	C10	7.88
615	5.58	C18	56.48
616	32.58	C20m	3.48
617m	3.78	C22	6.28
618m	6.78	J78m	18.48
619m	24.58	PS4m	5.88

Group IV: VERY GOOD

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320	12.56	467	4.76
328	6.56	510	3.46
333	8.86	511	3.66
340m	15.76	531	7.96
368	21.46	536	5.86
373	22.76	537	13.86
377	7.46	556m	4.86
379	12.46	558	15.76
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Group V: SUPERB

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619m	10.69	873m	4.89
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642m	1.99	883m	9.69
646m	7.89	888m	7.89
655m	9.89	893m	15.29
662m	11.89	894m	2.29
693m	3.49	906m	4.89
696m	5.29	C10m	4.29
698m	5.89	C18	35.69
699m	5.99	C30m	3.29
700m	6.29	C36m	1.79
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711m	6.89	C44m	2.09
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558	12.48	821m	1.48
579	14.6	822m	1.58
584	12.88	826m	2.08
584m	13.98	827m	2.58
585	5.28	832m	6.48
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616	17.68	878m	4.18
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William K. Shrage, of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, modeled the stamp, based on a design by *Ervine Metzl,* of New York City. The entire stamp was engraved by *Robert J. Jones,* of the Bureau.

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MASARYK CHAMPION OF LIBERTY

The Masaryk stamps in the Champion of Liberty series were based on a photograph of a stamp design, a drawing of a medallion and of the ribbon, spray of leaves and torch, which were furnished by the Post Office Department. The design is in the "Famous Americans" size, but based on the 8c Magsaysay stamp of 1957 which was produced from a drawing by *Arnold Copeland,* a member of the Stamp Advisory Committee. *William H. Buckley* and *Ervine Metzl,* also of the S.A.C., collaborated in the design, with the illustrative work being done by Mr. Metzl and the production supervised by Mr. Buckley.

William K. Shrage modeled the Masaryk 4c and 8c stamps. The portrait, torch, spray of leaves and ribbon for the 8c multi-color were engraved by *Richard M. Bower;* the lettering and numerals by *George A. Payne.* Engravers of the 4c denomination have not yet been announced.

FRANKLIN CREDO STAMP

Charles R. Chickering modeled the 4c Benjamin Franklin Credo stamp, which was based on the general design by *Frank Conley.* The frame was engraved by *Robert J. Jones,* and the symbol, signature, quotation, and denomination by *Howard F. Sharpless.* The stamp is to be issued March 23, 1960, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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World War II—The Beginning and the End . . . a Philatelic Record

By IDUS MURPHREE

As many of our generation can well remember, December 7, 1941, marked the beginning and September 2, 1945, the end of World War II. No one is surprised that the tragic events on that first day of war for the United States had no official philatelic recognition at Pearl Harbor. There were no cachets marking that historic Sunday morning, no specially prepared postmarks nor patriotic covers. The avid stamp and cover collector may be moved by a consuming passion, but no amount of enthusiasm to preserve a philatelic memorial was enough on that awful morning of Pearl Harbor. Engraved drawings of the Pacific Fleet under a cloud of oil smoke or of the *Oklahoma* and *Arizona* sinking at their berths by Ford Island would have been unpalatable in any case, but there was no time nor opportunity even to give thought to such things, which in a time like that would be trivia indeed! For the war cover collector there are only the envelopes from surviving ships that were at Pearl Harbor during the attack. There is "Dec. 7, 1941," the naval censor's stamp, and a ship's name. These are the only philatelic souvenirs of that day. (Fig. 1).

At the other end of the scale are the war covers of September 2, 1945, the day of the signing of the instrument of surrender aboard the *Missouri* in Tokyo Bay. This was an event known far enough in advance for preparations to be made, and the war covers for this occasion are often elaborate. These are covers reflecting pride and victory.

The achievement which they represent is best found in the killer bars and postmarks which locate ships of the Third Fleet in "Tokyo Bay." I remember the look of unbelief on the faces of Japanese civilians when they saw those ships, so many ships, gathering in Tokyo Bay. It was as if a nightmare had materialized; and yet the whole thing was incredible, since many of the units of our fleet had been reported sunk, sometimes more than once.

The mood of the covers and cachets of that day of victory is always jubilant. At the same time, the range of those September 2 covers runs the gamut of emotions felt by navy fighting men at this quite different time, when December 7 was almost four years past. There are cockiness, confidence, and mock heroics from a navy not willing for anyone to doubt that it was the best in the world and at the same time not quite willing to take itself seriously.

For instance, the *North Carolina* plastered its nickname on Japanese-made envelopes which were then postmarked "Tokyo Bay" on the day of surrender, and the nickname was "The Showboat." Now "The Showboat" is not an altogether military title. These sailors' owning up to, really insisting on, being called the equivalent of "lounge lizard" at the very moment of conquest is typical American kidding. Then, too, there are cachets in multiple colors, too many colors, some in crayolas. Others are the skillful work of the machine press and not so skillful mimeographing machine. Some are hand-drawn. The designs are various: maps, eagles, dragons, sunrises, sunsets, ships, and not a few versions of how Mount Fujiyama appeared from an American vessel anchored so far away it couldn't appear at all. But lively imaginations were at work, and the exuberance is understandable.

One cover in my collection from the carrier *Ticonderoga* has a cachet showing the outlines of Tokyo Bay and in the bay one ship so large that it crowds the coastlines on three sides. The ship is modestly identified as CV-14, the *Ticonderoga*. In quite another vein there are covers of "old-navy" dignity in somber black and white, covers in "dress uniform," so to speak, with a conservative, "regulation" air.

The variety of these navy ca-

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1923 CARAVEL 2sh 6p, TR corner marginal blk, Scott #61	28 00
ST. LUCIA, 1881 ent 2½p scarlet, Scott #1	14 00
SARAWAK, 1922 2c on 1½c violet, bars [illegible] mm apart, Scott #[illegible]	12 60
TRINIDAD, 1854-57 Imperf 1p pur[illegible] brown, sheet margin at R, Scott #2	14 00
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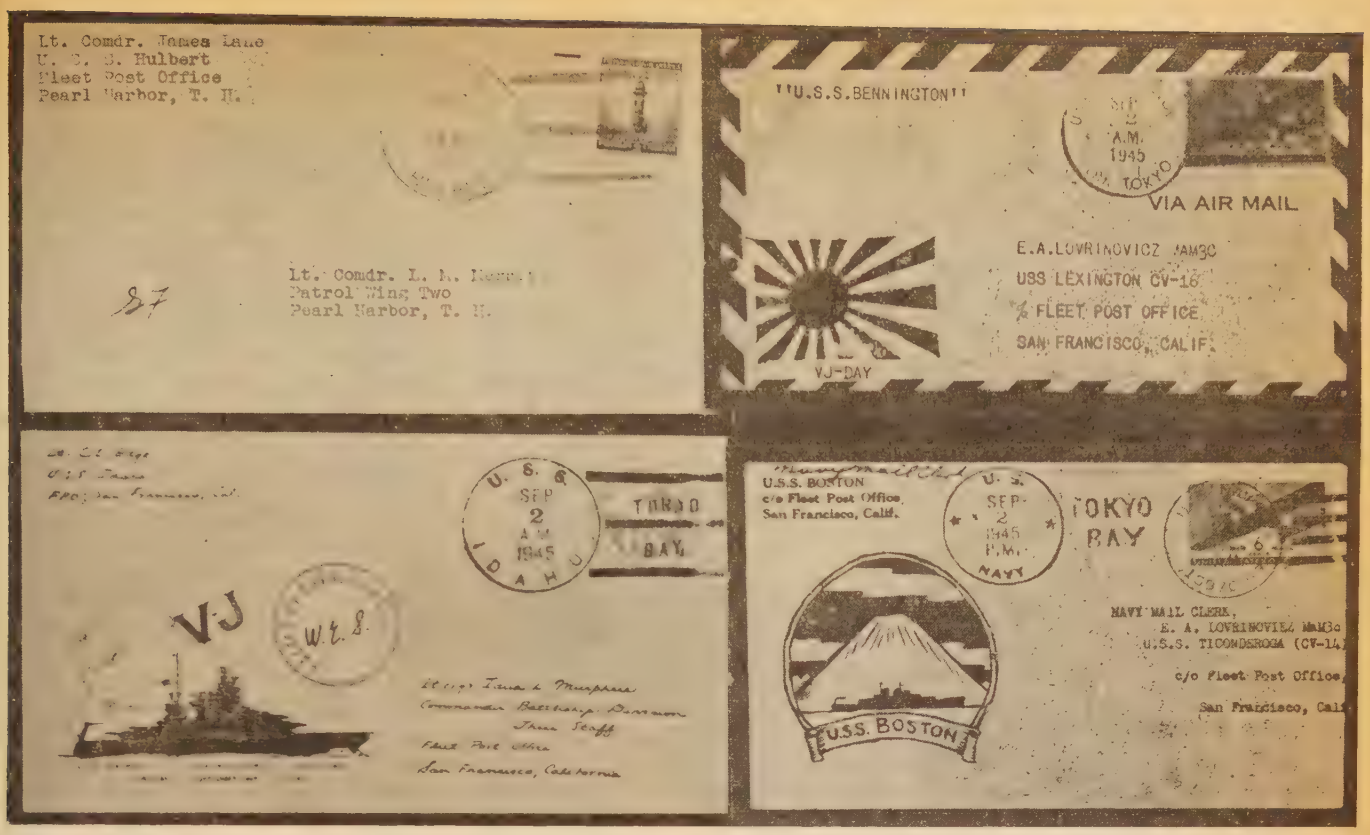

Upper left: Fig. 1—Cover dated Dec. 7, 1941, with U.S.S. Hulbert postmark and "Passed by Naval Censor" marking in lower left. Upper right: U. S. S. Bennington cover, Sept. 2, 1945, V-J Day. Lower left: Fig. 2—U. S. S. Idaho cover V-J Day, Tokyo Bay. Lower right: U. S. S. Boston V-J Day cover.

chets and Tokyo Bay postmarks makes a rewarding collection. Undoubtedly, those dated September 2, the day of formal surrender, are the most historically interesting. This was not the first day that "Tokyo Bay" appeared in cancellations on navy mail; and certainly it was ont the last.

A few ships jumped the gun on the September 2 date, and thereafter ships continued to specify their locations in this and other Japanese waters. By a general order on October 17, the practice of showing the port of call of naval vessels was resumed and officially permissible for ships outside Tokyo Bay.

Postmarks and cancellations from occupation points in Japan abound. Of those with the September 2 date, covers from the *Missouri*, where General Douglas Mac Arthur accepted the Japanese surrender, have special poignancy. Not many have turned up in collectors' hands, despite the fact that a special cancellation was prepared for the occasion and many hundreds of letters went through the ship's post office that day. I was later transferred to the *Missouri* and could locate only one that had stayed aboard.

Recently I found among my navy records two official messages that bear upon this episode and these war covers of September 2. I made no effort to keep a systematic set of notes at the time. Although I had a vantage point aboard the *Idaho* in Tokyo Bay, where I was attached to the staff of Commander of Battleship Division Three, parts of the story are vague in my mind. I do recall that it was common practice for communications officers to decode messages not addressed to us, in order to keep the admiral informed. It was one of those "no interest" messages that caught the eye of a friend of mine, a fellow stamp enthusiast. It was an encoded message requesting that a large group of recent, specifically identified commemoratives be dispatched by airmail to the *Missouri* in time for use on mail September 2. The message made it quite clear that a special cancellation was to be used commemorating the surrender. This was all that it took to stir some of us on the *Idaho* to action. Our ships may have been antique sisters of the big new battleships, but we figured that we deserved to be in on the celebration too. I drew up a message to the Commander of the Third Fleet which read as follows: For Fleet Pub Info Ofcr X Request authorization to prepare cachet for use Batdivthree on VJ day X Propose cachet of silhouette New Mexico class BBS with caption quote USS New Mexico, USS Mississippi, USS Idaho, Tokyo Bay, VJ Day, September 2, 1945 unquote. The request was promptly approved.

We then informed the other ships of our division, primarily to determine how many envelopes with cachets they wanted; but the upshot was that both the *Mississippi* and the *New Mexico* prepared their own instead of taking the design which was to be printed aboard the *Idaho*. This was certainly fair game, because after the approval of our request to the Commander of the Third Fleet, there immediately followed a despatch to the whole fleet giving permission to prepare special cachets and to use "Tokyo Bay" in the cancellations. I have liked to think that our original request set the whole pot boiling, suggesting as it did the possibility that the entire fleet might celebrate a great event.

Time was short. Everything had to be done in the five days remaining before September 2. An ensign with a knack of drawing, *Ralph Ricketts*, undertook the art work of our cachet after going over his ideas with the ship's printer. He did a magnificent job of reproducing a

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My efforts to get navy covers with the September 2, Tokyo Bay, postmark were titanic and not very imaginative. Not very successful either. I did go so far as to include all British units in the list of ships to which I wrote requests. The returns were few, and from the British ships none. *R. L. Senn,* CMaM aboard the Monitor, was of most help to me. I had met him on some errand in a small boat through such a maze of allied vessels that I had gotten lost. He later sent me some very nice covers which I have always appreciated. Together with the ones which I was able to get on the spot, these covers make a collection of special interest and value to me. The long road from Pearl Harbor — Coral Sea and Midway, Guadalcanal and New Guinea, the battles for the Solomons, Tarawa, Kwajalein, Eniwetok, the Philippines, Saipan, Guam, Tinian—had taken us to the home islands of Japan and now to victory. These covers from the fleet on the last day of war and the first day of peace represent a great deal.

The accompanying list of ship names is compiled from several sources and is possibly incomplete despite that fact. Should the readers of STAMPS have covers from other ships with the September 2, Tokyo Bay, cancellation or postmark, I would appreciate hearing from them in order to compile a more complete list.

Idus Murphree, 55 Charles Street, Athens, Ohio.

Tokyo Bay covers cancelled Sept. 2, 1945:

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(Editor's Note: This is the first of three articles by members of the War Cover Club which will appear in STAMPS. In this issue also is an article on the club itself, prepared by *Isadore Willinger,* secretary.)

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B44–48 ..... 3.90
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B58a–58d 25.00
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B134–36 ..... .55
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B169 ..... .30
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Gibraltar
16 ..... 3.25
59 ..... 3.25
60 ..... 3.25

Gold Coast
55 ..... 3.25
79 ..... 3.50
141 ..... 1.10

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179 ..... 1.35

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2–4 ..... 3.50
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203–6 ..... 2.25

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3 ..... 19.25
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24 ..... 1.20
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Memel
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26 ..... 1.60

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36 ..... .40
38 ..... .60
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45 ..... 2.50
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625–28 ..... .30
636–39 ..... .35
610–12 ..... .25
643–46 ..... .25
659–65 ..... .45
678–86 ..... .65
687–92 ..... .40
693–97 ..... .45
698–705 ..... .75
706–12 ..... .65
718–20 ..... .25
721–23 ..... .20
724–33 ..... .55
715–48 ..... .30
749–56 ..... .65
757–59 ..... .25
760–62 ..... .20
763–66 ..... .30
767–71 ..... .35
772–75 ..... .35
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811–16 imperf ..... .35
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Uruguay
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13 ..... 1.70
13a 2.00
14 ..... 4.25
16 ..... 2.25
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Pan American World Airways included the Vienna airport in its Jet Clipper service, when a Boeing 707/321 started on December 25, 1959, from Vienna to Tokyo. Mail was transported only to Turkey, Lebanon, Pakistan, India, Thailand, Hongkong, and Japan.

The same type of Jet clipper went on its first jet flight on December 30 from Vienna to New York, carrying mail only for the Federal Republic of Germany, Great Britain, North Ireland, and the U.S.A.

A special cancellation was used on mail transported on all of these flights.

—GUSTAV TH. SCHLESINGER

Trade Notes

Arthur I. Abelson, 824 Loew Building, Syracuse 2, N. Y., has purchased an extensive collection of New York State stampless covers which was formed by a pioneer collector over the past thirty years. The collection, containing more than 4500 covers, is being arranged by counties for the specialist.

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Billig & Rich, Inc., 55 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N. Y., have been forced to postpone their January auction until February 10-13 due to growth of sale to 4500 lots.

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Larry M. Levitt, 65 Nassau Street, New York 38, N. Y., has released a new revised 1960 spring-summer price list of used airmails of the world, topicals, etc. A copy will be sent free for the asking.

Otto W. Kaperl, P.O. Box 35175, Angeles, Calif., specialist in the stamp Germany, offers a new pocket-size, priced, catalog of Germany including pre-war issues. Descriptions are in G man and prices in West German Ma but the collector of these issues will h no difficulty with the listings. The c log, containing 100 well illustrated pa is available for 50c.

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UAR Syria	.45	Malaya	.18	Indonesia	.12	Argentina	.03	Guatemala ov'pt	.80
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Coming Events

Jan. 21—Northern Indiana Philatelic Society meeting at Mishawaka Hotel, Mishawaka, Ind. Jake Lemarr showing film of St. Lawrence Seaway in color.

Jan. 22—Cedar Valley Stamp Club, Waterloo, Iowa, meeting at 8 P.M. Program by 4C's Club.

Jan. 25—Johnston Stamp Club meeting at 8 P.M. The Post Office Department film "The Saint Lawrence Seaways" will be shown, and a donation auction will be held, all proceeds going to the club's exhibition funds for TOPEX '61. All collectors invited. Further information from *Homer L. Jones, R. 252 Derby St., Johnstown, Pa.*

Jan. 27—Binghamton Philatelic Society meeting at Central YMCA, Binghamton, N. Y., when Ransom Franklin will show his cover collection of 20th century fancy registration cancels.

Jan. 27—Exchange Night at St. Petersburg Stamp Club, at office of Bache & Co., 556 Central Ave., St. Petersburg, Florida.

Jan. 28—Jet Flight & Rocket Cover Society will have formation meeting at 7:30 P.M., 74 Fifth Ave., Adelphi Hall Room 8E, N. Y. City. Guest speaker John Perronet, president of Society of Applied Rocketry, who will discuss background of and research in rockets.

Jan. 28—Stamp Collectors Club of Toledo meeting in French Room of Commodore Perry Hotel, 7:30 P.M. Visitors welcome.

Jan. 28—North Toronto Stamp Club annual donation auction; also question and answer period and useful tips on mounting and writing up collections.

Jan. 29-30—Springfield Delco Stamp Club exhibit and bourse in Township Bldg., 50 Powell Rd., Springfield, Pennsylvania. Eighty frames on view. Admission free.

Feb. 2 — Germantown Stamp Club meeting will have Dr. Paul R. Cutright as speaker, discussing his prize-winning

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U. S. PLATE BLOCK NEWS

By Edward A. Livingstone

690 River Road, Beaver, Pennafl

6c Airmail Booklet Plate No. 25318

THE October list of cancelled plates includes Plate Number 25318, indicating 200 impressions of this particular plate had reached the public. This plate was used in the printing of the 6c Airmail booklet (C-39) of the 1949 series.

On checking the consecutive records of plate numbers which are maintained, it was found that Plate No. 25317, which was believed to be a companion plate, was cancelled on May 3, 1957, also with 200 impressions. On the May press release No. 123 of the Post Office Department there was a note which read:

"These were experimental printings and sheets printed from this plate were destroyed by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing."

Plate No. 25316, also a 6c Airmail booklet pane, was cancelled in November 1957, with 687 impressions and carried the same footnote which appeared in November 1957 Post Office release.

Information has now been received from the Post Office Department to the effect that—

"The Bureau of Engraving and Printing has advised this office that all impressions from Plate 25318 were destroyed."

This now disposes of what might have been concluded to be a very rare plate, with only 200 impressions available to the public and with its being a booklet pane plate, the chances of any panes with plate numbers appearing, had they been in circulation, would have been very remote.

1959 *Plate Block Record*

DURING 1959 the U. S. Post Office Department issued thirteen commemorative stamps, one Famous American, one conservation, three Lincoln sesquicentennial issues, and two sets of two (4c and 8c) Champion of Liberty stamps. The lowest denomination was the 1c Lincoln, and the highest was the 10c Pan American Games commemorative.

In printing these twenty-two stamps, eighty-five plate numbers were employed, and some stamps were printed from only two plates, principally the 8c Champion of Liberty issues and the 10c Pan American Games airmail. The largest number of plates were used for the 4c soil conservation stamps, six plates having been utilized. Five were used for the St. Lawrence Seaway stamps, and the balance each had four plates.

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ch plate number, the total cost would e been $64.64 for the year. A full et of each position of each plate num- would have required a total outlay $874.56. The most costly items would e been the three 7c airmails which re each printed from four different tes and for each of these a complete of sheets for each of the three were .00 each.

This will give you an idea of the small t of collecting all positions of plate cks, and the high cost of collecting ets.

This compilation does not include the t of the regular issues, which include the c Hermitage sheet and coil, the 2½c nker Hill sheet and coil, 12c Harri- n, and the 15c Liberty airmail. In addi- n to these, there was a new series of stage Dues, the $3.00 Migratory Hunt- stamps for 1959-1960, plus some new velopes and postal cards, but, of course, st collectors of U. S. stamps do not o go in for these latter items too.

These comments will enable the col- tor who is contemplating plate block lecting to determine whether he will rely collect one mint block of each ue, one sheet of each issue without ard to the plate number position or plate number itself, or whether he shes to or can afford to go the whole y. The last-named choice will cost m seven and a half to eight times re than to collect the plate blocks mselves in all positions.

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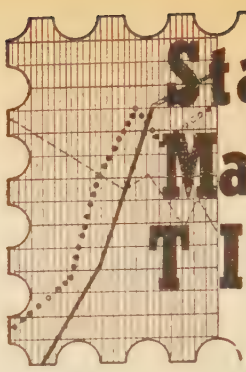

Stamp Market TIPS

By Leo Eaton

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All stamps mentioned in this column are understood to be in MINT condition unless stated otherwise. Wherever the author has used stamps in mind, he so indicates in the particular item.

TIPOFF

MOZAMBIQUE—Just think of the Angola bird issue, Scott's #333-354, and the Fish issue, Scott's #332-355, and you will have the answer to why I recommend Scott's #364-383, the 1953 pictorial issue of various butterflies. Since *Life* magazine pictured all these beautiful issues, a new rush is on for all types of these stamps. Many non-collectors are buying these issues trying to form a collection of all the stamps shown in *Life*. This set was already rising before the magazine came out, and although I have tipped this set once before, I must do it again before the prices get out of line. It is hard to tell how much one must expect to pay for the pictorial issue since prices vary so much but if you can buy within Scott's valuation there is still a chance to be ahead of the game. I choose this set as this week's TIPOFF.

FRANCE—Scott's #700-705, the 1951 Sport issue, is getting harder and harder to find. The best stamp in this set is the #705, the 75 franc, either mint or used. Be sure that your set is complete. The set catalogs in the 1960 Scott at $3.75, and dealers in France are paying close to $2.00 for it.

Another worthwhile set is Scott's #711-715, which promotes typical French industries. Be sure that this is in your collection at your earliest convenience, as it will pay off even if almost full Scott catalog valuation is paid.

REUNION—Scott's #C46-47, the current airmail stamps of 1957 and 1958, have a high face value, thus causing quite a hardship for many dealers who wish to put them away for future appreciation. They should be bought at your first opportunity. The currency reform which has taken place will bring many changes, and this French territory will not be an exception. Be sure to have #C47 as it may turn out to be another #C41 one of these days.

Two other stamps not to be overlooked are Scott's #299-300. They are much

arder to find now than they were a year o, but it is still not too late to include em in your collection even if almost l Scott has to be paid for them.

GERMANY—(BERLIN) — The ever-in-easing demand for all the Berlin issues ll eventually deplete the stocks of ott's Nos. 9N80 and 9N81-83. Both ues have a very strong topical appeal d for this reason alone much of the w available material will soon find its y into Music and Olympic Games lections. The 1960 Michel catalog licates a more realistic valuation of th commemorative issues than does Scott catalog. *Scott* lists #9N80 at 20; *Michel* quotes $2.00 for this issue. hile the 1951 Olympic Games issue is ced in *Scott at* $2.20, *Michel* is slight-higher. The 1960 Olympic Games will o have an effect on next year's valua-n as so many collectors all over the rld will try to pick up these still low ced sport issues.

SAAR—About two years ago I recom-nded Scott's Nos. 263-282 and 289-3 to be completed at the earliest con-ience. Both these issues were re-sed "piecemeal" and there are still ndreds of collectors who have never hered to complete the sets with the er issues. Omitting to complete the now may turn out to be very costly the collector at a later time. Both sets *only if complete* should be bought the present market value.

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403-8	...	.12
409-14	...	.12
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445-9	...	...
450-6	1.54	...
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529-34	.42	...
535-6	.22	.06
537-50	.50	.20
551-54	.36	.22
555-7	.12	.08
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617-19	.10	.09
620	.03	.02
621-4	.10	.10
625-30	.10	...
708-22	.33	...
723-4	.04	...
725-37	.14	...
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816-25	1.45	.25
826	.15	.05
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841	.12	.04
842-3	.24	...
844-7	1.25	...
848-50	.35	.16
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856-8	.49	.45
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859a, 60a, C63	3.15	...
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859a, 60a, C63a pane.	2.50	...
861-3, C64-5.	.65	...
Same, IMP.	.80	...
864-66	.70	.35
867-69	.31	.12
870	.20	.20
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901-5	.60	.24
906-10	.66	.40
911-13	.34	.21
914-16	.32	.36
917-19	...	.57
920-24	.73	.50
920-24, C82-6	...	1.05
925-8	.27	...
929-32	.30	...
933-34	...	.14
Same IMP.	1.50	...
935-7	.27	.20
938-9	.22	.15
940-44	.40	.25
945-58	2.10	.73
959-61	.48	.19
962-7	...	.10
968-71	.30	.10
972	...	.05
972, C94	.27	...
973	.20	...
974-8	.85	.40
979-81	.34	.17
982-3	.22	.12
984-6	.48	...
Same IMP.	2.50	...
987-9	.54	.32
996	.71	...
997-99	.30	.21
1000-3	.25	.24
1004-11	...	.17
1012-13	.24	.15
Same IMP.	1.50	...
1014-15	.24	.11
Same IMP.	1.50	...
1016-18	.28	.33
1019-24	.42	.34
1025-27	.30	.20
1028-29	.20	.16
Same IMP.	1.50	...
1030-31	.25	.14
1032-3	.12	.08
1034	.10	...
1035	.38	...
1036-40, C121	.50	...
1041	.07	.03
1036-40	...	.10
1042	.14	.04
1043-7	...	.35
1048-56	.60	.22
1057-61	.50	.21
1062-69	2.30	1.45
1070-72	...	.08
1073-5	...	.23
1076-8	...	.22
1079-81	.19	.19
1082-3	.14	.10
Same IMP.	1.50	...
1084	.08	.04
1085-7	.30	.22
1088-95	1.05	.30
1096-7	.30	.23
1098-1108	...	.35
1109-12	...	.26
1113-15	...	.16
1116-35	...	.60
1136	.14	.05
1137-9	.56	...
1140	.09	.06
1141-47	...	.77
1148-55	...	.41
1156-57	.22	.10
1158-59	.27	.13
1160-67	.75	.35
1168-69	.84	.71
1170	.23	.08
1171-2	.22	.10
1173	.14	.05
1174-5	.22	.18
1176-80	...	.19
1176-80, C175	.98	.39
1181	.17	.12

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1183-8	.60	.30
1189 sheet	2.80	...
1190-2	.17	.12
1193	.12	.15
1193 Imp.	.65	...
1194, C184	.12	.08
1195	...	.04
1195-02	1.25	.63
Same sheet	1.40	...
1203-9	1.20	.63
1210-11	.19	...
1212-18	.98	.56
1219-21	.12	...
Same IMP.	.60	...
1222-3	.10	.08
Same IMP.	.50	...
1224-30, C201	1.00	.50
Same IMP.	5.00	...
1231	.28	...
Same IMP.	1.40	...
Same Sheet	1.35	...
1232	.10	...
Same IMP.	.35	...
1233-40	.83	.50
1241-48	.80	.50
1 49-53, C202-3	.86	.50
Same IMP.	4.50	...
1254-59	.65	.40
Same IMP.	3.50	...
1260 Sheet	1.10	...
1261	.35	.35
Same IMP.	2.35	...
1262	.05	.04
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1263	.05	...
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B94 Sheet	.90	...
B97 Sheet	.90	...
B98-102	.65	...
B103-7	.60	...
B108	1.20	...
B109	1.20	...
B110-12	.35	...
B113 Sheet	.25	...
B114-16	.30	...
B117-21	.50	...
B122 Sheet	.30	...
B123-5	.33	...
B126-29	.56	...
B130 Sheet	.40	...
B131-4	.40	...
B135-9	.40	...
B140-43	.35	...
B144-47	.50	...
B148-50	1.00	...
Same IMP.	1.25	...
B151-56	.40	...
B157-65	.25	...
B166-69	.25	...
B170	.06	.03
B171-4	.15	.12
B175-8	.20	...
B179-86	.78	...
B187	.06	...
B188-91	.30	...
B192-4	1.20	...
B195-8	1.50	...
B199-201	.60	...
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B202	...	...

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B203	...	...
B203a Sheet.	1.25	...
B204	.30	...
B205	.35	...
B206 Sheet	.60	...
Same IMP.	.60	...
B207-8	1.25	...
B209-10	.65	.58
B211-16	.65	.52
J15-50	.10	...
J65-9	.15	...
J76-96	...	.44
J130-8	...	.18
J151-66	...	.40
J167-85 less 170	...	.50
J183-5	...	.10
J198-209	...	.33
J210-27	.98	...
J195-7	...	.10
J228-45	.58	...
C3-5	.55	...
C6-9	.30	...
C6-11	.55	...
C10-11	.25	...
C12-17	1.00	...
C18-23	3.50	...
C26-34	18.50	...
C35-44	...	...
C45-52	2.00	.61
C53-62	.48	...
C66	9.00	...
C67	.20	...
C68	...	...
C69	...	...
C70	...	.12
C71-79	...	1.20
C80 Sheet	1.10	...
C81a	3.50	...
C82-6	.95	...
C87-90	.54	...
C91-3	.50	...
C94	...	.05
C95 Sheet	1.25	...
C96-106	1.40	.90
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C109-10	.50	...
C111-20	...	...
C123-7	1.56	.29
C128	.70	...
C129-35	...	.35
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C136-45	...	...
C146-48	.50	.38
C149-56	.80	.40
C157 Sheet	.60	...
Same IMP.	2.59	...
C158-65	...	.35
C166 Sheet	.55	...
C167	2.50	...
C168-9	.30	...
C170-71	.21	.14
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C173-4	.65	.39
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C185-6	.35	...
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American Philatelic Congress 1960

THE American Philatelic Congress for 1960 will be held in conjunction with the 74th anniversary exhibition of the Chicago Philatelic Society, November 4-6, at the La Salle Hotel. The invitation came from *L. Cecil Love*, C.P.S. president, who reported a 250-frame exhibition and a bourse are planned.

The Congress will also hold its second seminar for specialist groups, Congress President David Lidman has announced. The first was held at the Silver Jubilee Congress in Atlantic City, N. J., in October 1959.

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Den.	Total Sold	No. Errors Sold
½c	125,000	6,250
1c	1,021,900	51,095
1½c	1,268,000	63,400
2c	1,221,700	61,065
3c	908,200	45,410
4c	31,000	1,550
	4,575,800	288,790

You must remember though that this does not mean that many errors actually now exist. These stamps were used on the mails for two years, and probably most of them were destroyed.

As we predicted and as you can see from the above figure, the 4 cent Lincoln Liberty error is the best one of the five. It would be interesting to know just how many of them actually did get into collectors' hands.

The Post Office Department in Washington, D.C. on October 2nd authorized the destruction of the error stock at Cincinnati, rather than having them returned to Washington.

Precancel Collector's Roundup

The Detroit Precancel Club's Roundup will take place during the Michigan Stamp Club's 46th Annual Exhibition and Bourse, February 27th and 28th, 1960, at the Hotel Fort Wayne in Detroit.

Through the courtesy of the Michigan Stamp Club they have been provided a separate room where they can swap, sell, or buy precancels, and wherein a limited number of dealers can be accommodated Contact A. F. Simon, 14750 Rutland, Detroit 27, Mich., if interested. The general show's exhibit chairman is *Adolf G. Meyer*, 4017 *Doris Ave.; Detroit* 38, who should be contacted relative to the general exhibition, which will include about thirty frames of six sheets each of Precancels. All precancel collectors are asked to make this a gala event.

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Polish High Values Needed for New Rates

SOME collectors in the U.S.A. and elsewhere have expressed astonishment at the high face value of some Polish stamps. This is explained by the fact that since March 1, 1957, postal rates have been considerably increased. The following rates apply, the first in each class mentioned being the inland rate, and the second, the foreign rate:

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As foreign mail is growing in volume in Poland and the postage for heavier letters, printed matter, postal packets, etc., sometimes exceeds some hundreds of Zloties, there is definite need for stamps of such high face values as 5, 10, 20, 30, and 50 Zloties.

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The text for the work, originally, prepared by *Alexandre Cocatre,* was translated, annotated and enlarged by Allan Hauck. The work is published by *John R. McGee* and is available at $2.50 per copy from the *Society of Reply Coupon Collectors,* 1640 *North Monroe St., Fremont, Nebraska.*

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Address all communications to New Issue Editor, STAMPS, 153 Waverly Place, New York 14, N. Y.

ALBANIA—On November 20, 1959, four stamps were issued for the First National Spartakiad Games in the values of 1.50, 2.50, 5 and 11 leks. Each stamp depicting a different sports subject. Four stamps issued on November 28, 1959, commemorated the 15th anniversary of the Liberation. The values were 1.50, 2.50, 3 and 6.50 leks, all in different designs. An imperforate sheet of the stamps was also released. A 5 leks stamp and miniature sheets were issued December 5, 1959 to honor the 10th anniversary of the Declaration of Human Rights.

—Stamp Collecting, London

AUSTRIA—The increase in postal rates scheduled for February 1, 1960 has necessitated the issuance of new stamps. On January 28, 1960 the following values as part of the Austrian "Buildings" series will be issued: S 1.40, building in Klagenfurt; S 1.80, Hall in Tyrol; S 3.40, Krems on the Danube: S 4.00, Hainburg; S 5.50, Feldkirch; S 6.00, Graz; S 6.40, Innsbruck. At the same time the S 1.00 value showing the church at Mariazell will be issued in rolls for automatic distribution. First day of validity for all of these stamps will be February 1, 1960.

—Eva Fuchs, Vienna

BULGARIA—November 18, 1959 was the date of issue for two stamps commemorating the 50th anniversary of the National Opera. The stamps consisted of the follwing values, colors and designs: 80 st., green and black, lyre with bird-like frame; 1.25 leva, red and black, lyre-shaped capital of column. There was an edition of 100,000 sets.

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—*Philatelic Magazine, London*

CANAL ZONE—A 4c stamp, commemorating the Boy Scouts' 50th Anniversary, will be issued on February 8, 1960. This stamp will be the first multicolored stamp issued by the Canal Zone Postal Service and will be printed on white pre-gummed paper in bronze, red and blue, on the Giori Press by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Sheets of fifty. An initial edition of one million has been authorized. The central design of the stamp is the "First Class" Boy Scout Badge. Our thanks to *Robert A. Stevens* and the *Canal Zone Philatelic Agency*, Balboa, for the information.

CEYLON—Our thanks to *Lloyd R. Devarajah, Oliver T. Goonawardena,* and *Terence Tambinayagam* for first day covers of the 10c commemorative of the Privena Universities, issued December 31, 1959, as forecast in our December 26th issue.

COLOMBIA—*Diego Silva-Parra,* Bogota, informs us that a 35c airmail stamp was ordered in an edition of two million to commemorate the inauguration of the "Eldorado" airfield which took place December 10, 1959. Later in the year two more values will be issued, one 60c airmail in an edition of one million and a $1.00 value for extra rapid mail in an edition of 300,000. The design for all three values will show an aerial view of the airport.

GERMANY (EAST)—Our thanks to *Ernst Reitzig* for a first day cover of the set of stamps issued December 29, 1959, honoring the return of works of art by Soviet troops in 1958, as reported in our January 16th issue. The values are 5 Pf., 10 Pf., 20 Pf., and 25 Pf.

Fritz Barz reports that at the end of January 1960, a set of four values will be issued honoring the Olympic Games in Squaw Valley and Rome.

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HUNGARY—Our thanks to the Ministry of Posts for first day covers of the Fairy Tale set issued December 15, 1959, as reported in our January 2nd issue. The values are 20 f., 30 f., 40 f., 60 f., 1 Ft., 2 Ft., 2.50Ft., and 3Ft.

ISRAEL—Illustrated in this issue on first day cover from the Ministry of Posts are the new stamps issued January 6, 1960, with the denominations expressed as 0.1, 0.03, etc., as forecast here December 19, 1959, to indicate the new currency.

ISRAEL—On February 24, 1960, a three-value set of airmails depicting landscapes of Israel will be issued in the following denominations, colors and designs: 15 agorot, mauve and black, Zefat (Safad); 20 agorot, bright green and black, Ashqelon; 65 agorot, bright blue and black, Tiberias. The stamps were printed by photogravure on unwatermarked paper by the Government Printers at Hakirya, in sheets of twenty with tabs adjacent to the bottom rows of five.

—Israel Philatelic Agency in America, Inc.

NETHERLANDS ANTILLES—Our thanks to *P. H. J. Breusers,* Netherlands Antilles Director of Posts, and the *Netherlands West Indies News Bureau,* New York, for further information on the 10c, 20c, and 25c values of the set issued January 12, 1960, commemorating the 100th anniversary of the death of Monseigneur Niewindt, the first apostolic vicar of Curacao, reported in our January 16th issue. The stamps were printed by rotogravure.

PAKISTAN—Three new issues have been announced for the first half of 1960. On January 10th, a set of two values, As 2 and As 14, was scheduled for issue honoring Armed Forces Day. In March, a set of four values, ½, 2, and 8 anna and one rupee, will be issued for Jammu and Kashmir definitives. In April, a set of two and ten anna values will be issued commemorating World Refugee Year.

—Dwarkadas Jivandas, Karachi

PANAMA—*Robert A. Stevens,* Balboa, reports an airmail set commemorating the 25th anniversary of the National University will be issued in February, 1960. The values, colors and designs and editions are as follows: 10c, green, Administration Building, three million; 21c, light blue, Science Building, 500,000; 25c, blue, Medical Faculty, 500,000; 30c, gray, Dr. Octavio Mendez Pereria, 1st Rector of the University, 500,000. The set will probably be lithographed by Star and Herald Printers of Panama City.

PERU—Our thanks to *Luis Guzman,* Lima, who reports that the following values of the current stamps to be printed in new values as was reported in our April 4, 1959 issue, were released on December 9, 1959. They were the following: regular postage—S/0.50, Scott No. A184; S/1.00, Scott No. A184; and S/2.00, Scott No. A184; airmails—S/0.80, Scott No. AP50; S/3.80, Scott No. AP51. Issued later on the regular postage stamps in values of S/0.20 (Scott No. A183) and S/0.30 (Scott No. A182). The remaining values will be issued at some future date. All the stamps were printed by Joh. Enschede & Sons, Holland.

POLAND—The *POLSKA '60 Executive Committee* reports that the set commemorating the centenary of the first Polish postage stamp will be issued some time in March. The values and designs and editions will be as follows: 40 gr., reproduction of the first Polish postage stamps, issued in 1860, 3 million; 60 gr., stamp reproducing the 1939 FIS stamp, 3 million (Scott No. A98); 1.35 Zl., 3 million, stamp representing a vignette in the style of the first Polish stamp; 1.55 Zl.,

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RUSSIA—Our thanks to *M. Kniga,* Moscow, for information and copies of he following stamps. A set of four-values vas issued November 30, 1959, to popuarize the seven-year plan (1958-1965). The denominations and designs were 0 k., Chemical industry; 15 k., Houseuilding; and 20 k. Machinery construcion. The fourth stamp of the set, a 20 k. alue depicting grain reaping was issued December 25, 1959. The multi-colored tamps were designed by Levin and rinted in sheets of twenty-five.

Two bi-colored stamps were issued November 30, 1959, as the latest addiions to the set of outstanding Russians. The 10 k. value depicts a monument to enin; the 60 k. value shows a monument f Gorky. These stamps were designed y Ushenin and printed in sheets of ighty.

A 40 k. stamp honoring the 150th anniersary of the birth of the Russian chemst, A. A. Voskresenskij, was issued Deember 7, 1959. A. V. Zavjalov designed he stamp which was printed in sheets of ight.

Three values of a planned eight to ten alue set of stamps depicting scenic views vere issued December 15, 1959. The enominations, colors and designs were s follows: 10 k., purple, Chusovaja River; 5 k., blue, Lena River; 40 k., rose, Bajkal ake. Artists of the Goznak Factory deigned the stamps printed in sheets of wenty-five.

Two more additions were made to the Animal" set with the resale on December 5, 1959, of two multi-colored values. The 0 k. value shows the hozel grouse; the one ruble value depicts the white swan. A. N. Komarov designed the two stamps.

Early in 1960 a set of five stamps will be issued to commemorate the Winter Olympic Games in Squaw Valley, California. The values will be 10 k., 25 k., 40 k., 60 k., and one ruble. Also to be issued shortly will be two more additions to the animal set. A 60 k. value depicting a beaver and a one ruble value showing a stag.

SPAIN—On February 29, 1960, a "Bull Fight" set will be issued in the following values, colors, designs and editions: ordinary postage—15 cts., sepia, "Toro de lidia," 7,350,000; 20 cts., blue-violet, bull on the prairie, 5,350,000; 25 cts., dark-violet and gray, "Encirclement of the bulls before the fight at Pamplona," eight million; 30 cts., brown, entrance of the bull into the arena, 5,100,000; 50 cts., violet-brown, the bullfight with the capa, 5,450,000; 70 cts., green and brown, fight with banderillas, six million; 80 cts., green and blue, fight with the muleta, 5,200,000; 1.00 Pta., brown and orange, fight with the muleta, 8,150,000; 1.40 Pts., magenta and brown, fight with the muleta, 5,075,000; 1.50 Pts., yellowish-green and blue, fight with the muleta, 5,075,000; 1.80 Pts., yellowish-green, picador on horse, 5,350,000; 5.00 Pts., red and carmine, bullfight in olden times, 5,150,000; airmails—25 cts., dark-violet and carmine, arena in a small city, five million; 50 cts., blue and bluish-green, bullfight with the capa, five million; 1.00 Pta., carmine and orange, the dedication, five million; 5.00 Pts., violet and magenta, bullfight arena, five million.

On March 24, 1960, the Stamp Day set featuring reproductions of paintings by Murillo will be released. The set will consist of the following values, designs and editions: 25 cts., violet, "The Good Shepherd," 5,500,000; 40 cts., magenta, "Rebecca and Eliezer," 4,500,000; 50 cts., yellow-brown, "The Holy Virgin with the Rosary," 4,500,000; 70 cts., green, "Immaculate Conception," 4,500,000; 80 cts., green, "Children with the Shell," five million; 1.00 Pta., orange, self portrait,

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SPANISH WESTERN SAHARA—The second printing of the 10 Pts. bird stamp, issued October 15, 1959, will be released February 1, 1960. The color will be the same, but will probably differ in shade.

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TOGO—Further information from the *Togo Philatelic Agency, Inc.*, New York, on the seven-value Olympic Games set is that the stamps will be issued at the end of January 1960. The 0.30, 0.50 and 1.00 franc values will honor the Winter Olympics at Squaw Valley, California. The 10 F., 15 F., 20 F., and 25 F. values will honor the summer games in Rome. Each stamp will bear the typical five rings of the Games. The stamps are printed in sheets of twenty-five.

UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC (EGYPT)—Our thanks to the *Ministry of Communications* for copies of the 10 Mils stamp issued December 22, 1959, as reported in our January 16, 1960, issue, to commemorate the participation of UNESCO in helping to safeguard the monuments of Nubia.

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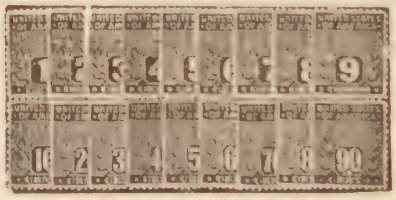

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